

## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As the below-named inventors, we declare that:

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We believe we are the original, first, and joint inventors of the invention entitled "USE OF COXIELLA BACTERIA TO TREAT AUTOIMMUNE DISEASE," which is described and claimed in the specification and claims of Patent Application No. 09/142,597, which we filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on September 10, 1998, and for which a patent is sought.

We have reviewed and understand the contents of the foregoing specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to herein (if any).

We acknowledge our duty to disclose information of which we are aware which is material to the patentability and examination of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a).


We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of the foreign patent application listed below:

PRIOR FOREIGN/PCT APPLICATION(S) AND ANY PRIORITY CLAIMS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119:			
COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 USC 119
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We further declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that the making of willfully false statements and the like is punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and may jeopardize the validity of any patent issuing from this patent application.

  
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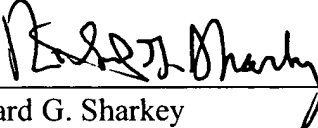
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